**Fabula Cincinnati, Vir Nobilissimus**

**Glossary**

Cincinnatus *erat* vir fortis et **militiae peritus**, sed pauper; parvum agrum ille coluit trans Tiberim. **illo tempore** Roma urbs parva *erat*; bella cum multis hostibus semper **gereba**t. **quondam** hostes exercitum in **fines Romanos** duxerunt et castra posuerunt haud procul a moenibus urbis. consul Romanus, vir imperitus et timidus, legiones eduxit hostesque repellere temptavit. castra posuit in colle prope hostes sed timebat eos oppugnare; illi castra Romana celeriter circumvenerunt et exercitum obsederunt.

ubi cives **haec** cognoverunt, omnes valde timuerunt. ad **curiam** convenerunt et **patres** iusserunt urbem servare; clamabant: ‘urbs in magno periculo est. urbem servate, o patres; hostes repellite.’ consul patribus dixit: ‘quid facere debebimus, o patres? quomodo urbem servare possumus?’ patres responderunt: ‘Cincinnatus solus nos servabit. nam **militiae peritus** est et vir fortis, qui patriam amat et hostes semper vincet. eum dictatorem **creare** debebimus. Cincinnatum ad urbem statim arcessite.’

itaque patres nuntios ad Cincinnatum miserunt. illi trans Tiberim festinaverunt et mox Cincinnatum invenerunt qui in agro **suo** laborabat. hi nuntii ad eum accesserunt et ‘Cincinnate’ dixerunt, ‘patres te iubent ad senatum venire.’ ille attonitus erat sed patrum imperia neglegere non *poterat*. domum festinavit; **se** lavit uxoremque iussit togam **proferre**. deinde **togatus** cum nuntiis ad senatum festinavit.

ubi ad urbem accessit, patres **obviam ei** venerunt et in senatum duxerunt. ibi ‘tu solus’ dixerunt ‘urbem servare potes. itaque te dictatorem creabimus. exercitum in hostes **duc**, urbemque nostram e magno periculo servabis.

**militiae peritus**: “experienced in war”

**illo tempore**: “at that time”

**gerebat:** *when gero is with bellum, it means “to wage war”*

quondam: “once”

**fines Romanos:** “Roman territory”

**haec:** “these things”

**curiam**: “The Senate House”

**patres:** *another term for “Senators”*

**creare:** “to appoint”

**suo:** “his own”

**proferre:** “to bring out”

**se:** “himself”

**togatus:** “once dressed in his toga”

**obviam ei:** “to meet him”

**duc:** *imperative of* ***ducere***

**Vocabulary Box**

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| Grammar - Latin | Grammar - English |
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| eram | I was |
| eras | you were |
| erat | he/she/it was |
| eramus | we were |
| eratis | y’all were |
| erant | they were |

| Grammar - Latin | Grammar - English |
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| possum | I am able |
| potes | you are able |
| potest | he/she/it is able |
| possumus | we are able |
| potestis | y’all are able |
| possunt | they are able |

| Grammar - Latin | Grammar - English |
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| poteram | I was able |
| poteras | you were able |
| poterat | he/she/it was able |
| poteramus | we were able |
| poteratis | y’all were able |
| poterant | they were able |